

Sonoco ThermoSafe Launches Envoy(R) Diagnostic Kit Shipper System

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The new Envoy Diagnostic Kit shipper ensures temperature control for diagnostic specimens and infectious substances for up to two days

ARLINGTON HEIGHTS, Ill., Aug. 21, 2013 /PRNewswire/ -- Sonoco ThermoSafe, a unit of Sonoco (NYSE: SON) and the leading global provider of temperature-assurance packaging, has launched the new Envoy Diagnostic insulated shipping solution to ensure proper refrigerated temperature control for diagnostic kits, blood samples and other diagnostic specimens.

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The Envoy Diagnostic product line features the two-day Envoy shipper combined with one of five available diagnostic kits. The system provides the necessary components used in UN DOT, IATA and USPS certifications for shipping specimens and infectious substances. The entire Envoy Diagnostic series gives consistent 2- to 8-degree Celsius temperature control while exposed to the real-world ISCSilver® ambient profile, which is representative of the ambient conditions diagnostic specimens are typically exposed to during shipment.

"To better target new disease indications and markers, the diagnostic market has been increasing its research and development efforts, as well as performing more tests," stated Marianne Hoonakker-Kelly, market manager, Sonoco ThermoSafe. "In order to better serve this market we've combined two of our well known product lines; the Envoy Shipper and our Sonoco ThermoSafe Diagnostic Kits. The pairing of these two products allows our customers to receive a complete solution to ensure the thermal integrity of the diagnostic specimens with the lowest total cost solution."

To order an Envoy Diagnostic Kit Shipper System, contact your Sonoco ThermoSafe Customer Service Representative at (800) 225-7443.

Sonoco ThermoSafe is the leading global provider of temperature-assurance packaging for the safe and efficient transport of pharmaceuticals, biologics, vaccines and other temperature sensitive products. Sonoco ThermoSafe shipping solutions mitigate risk for customers and ensure product efficacy throughout the extremes of a supply chain. With operations in North America, Europe, Asia and South America, the Company has a vast product offering featuring industry leading technology that encompasses refrigerated, frozen or controlled room temperature applications. In addition, Sonoco ThermoSafe's ISC Labs® design and testing services deliver individualized and innovative packaging solutions along with qualification and validation services to meet all regulatory requirements. More information can be found on www.thermosafe.com.

About Sonoco

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